



FINANCIAL INVESTIGATION (AML/CFT) TRAINING COURSE

A training programme for investigators and prosecutors working on AML/CFT cases

COURSE OVERVIEW

The GPML Financial Investigation course provides in-depth training to national financial investigators and prosecutors in the current methods and practices used to develop and conduct financial investigations in the field of anti-money-laundering the counter-financing of terrorism (AML/CFT). It has a practical focus and is customized to reflect national legal and procedural processes in the country of training. This course also raises awareness of the methods used in money-laundering and the financing of terrorism.

Participants are taught about the legislative aspects of financial crime and their respective mandates, powers and authorities to investigate financial crimes. They learn to plan and conduct an AML/CFT investigation based on current good practices and methodologies. Coursework focuses on the importance of national coordination, as well as regional and international cooperation when investigating money-laundering and financing of terrorism cases.

The course also aims to address the relationship between financial investigators and prosecutors responsible for AML/CFT cases with the goal of ensuring that financial investigators are able to gather and develop high-quality information for presentation to the courts in cases of terrorist financing or money-laundering charges.

Participants learn methods and practical skills which they take back into their workplaces to employ and share. This training is part of GPML's strategy to provide sustainable technical assistance to facilitate enhanced national capacity and coordination in combating money-laundering and countering the financing of terrorism, as well as to further the overall implementation of effective national AML/CFT regimes in Member States.

Training outcomes

Participants will have the opportunity to:

- Gain new knowledge relating to terrorist financing, money-laundering and financial investigation;
- Reinforce and build upon past experiences in financial investigation;
- Learn how to calculate unsupported income and identify and trace assets;
- Understand avenues for obtaining information and evidence from a foreign jurisdiction;
- Network with expert practitioners investigating financial crimes and other professionals working in AML/CFT-related fields.

Course content

- International standards on AML/CFT
- Money-laundering and financing of terrorism
- National legal framework
- Financial investigation
- Financial profiling and calculation of income
- Freezing, seizing and confiscating assets
- International cooperation.

Duration

5 days

Target audience

This course will particularly benefit police and prosecutors already involved financial investigation, including the investigation of the financing of terrorism and money-laundering, or those that will soon be in such a role;

NB: Participants will be required to involve themselves in practical role plays and to make a brief presentation.

ABOUT GPML

The Global Programme against Money Laundering, Proceeds of Crime and the Financing of Terrorism (GPML) assists Member States in implementing the various anti-money laundering and counter-finance of terrorism (AML/CFT) provisions contained in the 1988 United Nations Drug Convention, the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, the United Nations Convention against Corruption and relevant United Nations resolutions, such as Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001), as well as other international AML/CFT requirements.

GPML's primary goal is to assist Member States via their legal, financial, law enforcement and judicial authorities in developing effective and comprehensive domestic AML/CFT legal and regulatory frameworks, as well as the institutional infrastructures and practitioner skills needed to implement them. GPML is further committed to promoting national coordination and regional and international cooperation on issues concerning money-laundering and terrorism financing.

GPML fulfills its mandate principally through technical cooperation and capacity-building for requesting Member States, the provision of in-depth training to national administrations and private sector actors dealing with AML/CFT issues, and the development and sharing of AML/CFT information resources, good practices and databases.

GPML has initiated specific products to assist Member States. These deliverables aim to raise awareness of the risks of money-laundering and terrorism financing, build institutional capacities and provide key technical assistance and training—based on current good practice and operational expertise—at the national and regional level. A series of GPML Facts Sheets provide information on the key products offered by GPML.

